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The nominal deadline for abstract submission for the 4th Passaic River Symposium is March 10th. Details on submission below. (Late abstracts will be accepted only if there is space on the agenda. Please contact me if you would like to submit after the deadline.)

Regards,

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FOURTH PASSAIC RIVER SYMPOSIUM

Organized by the Passaic River Institute of Montclair State University

Tuesday, June 22, 2010, Montclair State University Conference Center, 1 Normal Ave., Montclair, NJ

Symposium web site: www.csam.montclair.edu/pri/conferences

Announcement and Call for Abstracts

It is time to reconvene at the biennial Passaic River Symposium to discuss all aspects of environmental issues relevant to the Passaic River Basin. We will gauge progress made in addressing problems, learn about new efforts, and discuss remaining challenges. The three previous symposia (see archived materials at the web site) attracted nearly 300 participants each - this fourth symposium promises to be

equally attractive.

The "Lower Passaic River Restoration Project" will be prominently featured in the Symposium, including the "Phase 1" sediment removal by the Diamond Alkali site and the "Focused Feasibility Study" addressing the lower 8 miles. Projects and issues in the upper River and tributary watersheds will also be examined.

REGISTRATION

On-line registration and mail-in registration forms are now available through the Symposium web site, www.csam.montclair.edu/pri/conferences. Registration fees (includes continental breakfast, lunch and book of abstracts): Professional: Regular (by May 21) \$95, Late \$125; Student: Regular \$40, Late \$60. Pay by credit card, check, PO or voucher.

Mail registrations must be postmarked by June 7th. On-line registrations will be accepted until June 15th, as long as space is available. On-site registration the day of the meeting is discouraged and will only be permitted if space is available; lunch may not be available. If attempting to register on-site, please call or email the day before to ensure space is available. On-site registrations will be assessed an additional \$50 fee.

CALL FOR ABSTRACTS

Abstracts are sought for platform (oral) presentations and posters on any environmental issue relevant to the Passaic River Basin and nearby areas. Abstracts will be selected for presentation based on their technical and policy merit and relevance. The conference committee may request persons submitting abstracts for platform presentations to exhibit a poster if all platform slots are filled. Platform presentation length will be 15 minutes, including questions. A book of abstracts will be distributed at the conference and placed on the conference website following the conference. All symposium presenters are required to register for the conference.

Below is a partial list of relevant topics:

Management and assessment of contaminated sediments in the lower Passaic River
Ecotoxicology
Water quality improvement
Biological assessment
Ecological restoration
Combined sewer overflows
Recreational use of the River
Riverfront redevelopment
Flood control and damage mitigation
Environmental education and community outreach
Water supply assessment and protection
Contaminated site assessment, remediation and redevelopment
Urban and landscape ecology of the Passaic Basin

Submit abstracts (300 words) via the web form linked to www.csam.montclair.edu/pri/conferences .

(After acceptance of the abstract, you will be asked to submit a formatted abstract by email.)

Abstract submittal deadline: Wednesday, March 10, 2010

Notification of acceptance: On or about April 1, 2010

SPONSOR AND EXHIBITOR OPPORTUNITIES

We invite private companies, government agencies, non-profit organizations and academic organizations to apply to sponsor and/or exhibit at the conference. If your organization is interested, contact Dr. Kirk Barrett or visit www.csam.montclair.edu/pri/conferences to see a prospectus. Exhibits should be appropriate for the symposium topic, as judged by the symposium organizers. Space is limited - at the 2008 Symposium, exhibit space was sold out!

CONFERENCE LOCATION

The Symposium will be held at the Conference Center at Montclair State University on the 7th floor of the University Hall. It's a first-class conference center with a spectacular panoramic view of the Manhattan skyline. See www.montclair.edu/conferencecenter for information and directions.

FOR MORE INFORMATION

Direct any questions to Dr. Kirk R. Barrett, PE, PWS, Director of the Passaic River Institute, kirk.barrett@montclair.edu, 973-655-7117.

